#### **BEFORE**

### THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

#### **SOUTH CAROLINA**

DOCKET NO. 2004-219-E - ORDER NO. 2005-96

## FEBRUARY 25, 2005

IN RE: Petition of Progress Energy Carolinas, Inc. to
Terminate Service

ORDER DIRECTING
COMMISSION STAFF
TO PREPARE LETTER

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) with regard to the February 17, 2005, letter of Progress Energy requesting more information with regard to an illness disclosed by Mrs. Beatrice Weaver in her Motion to Continue the hearing in this Docket, said hearing being presently scheduled for March 10, 2005. Mrs. Weaver has asked this Commission to continue the March 10, 2005 hearing, due to a diagnosis of a carcinoma, and due to her being in Durham, North Carolina on the hearing date to receive radiation treatment for the condition.

As the result of the Motion to Continue, Progress Energy through counsel has asked for more information in order for it to decide whether or not to oppose the Motion.

The questions posed are related to the nature of the carcinoma reported by Mrs. Weaver, the date and nature of the surgery associated with it, the type of treatment and duration of treatment to be performed in Durham, North Carolina, and information regarding the facility to be used for convalescent purposes in Arizona. We have considered the information sought, and we hold that obtaining the same information would allow this Commission to give every consideration to the merits of Mrs. Weaver's

request. We are therefore directing the Commission Staff to prepare a letter to Mrs. Weaver, which requests the information sought by Progress Energy.

# FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 1. Beatrice Weaver has filed a Motion to Continue the presently scheduled hearing in this Docket, which is set for March 10, 2005.
- 2. The grounds for the Motion include some details of a diagnosis and planned course of treatment, the treatment due to take place in part on the scheduled date of the hearing.
- 3. Progress Energy has filed a letter requesting more information as to the nature of the illness and the treatment therefore.
- 4. We believe that the Commission Staff should prepare a letter to Mrs. Weaver requesting the information sought by Progress Energy, so that this Commission may give every consideration to the merits of Mrs. Weaver's Motion to Continue.

## **ORDER**

The Commission Staff shall prepare a letter to Mrs. Beatrice Weaver requesting the information sought by Progress Energy, so that this Commission may give every consideration to the merits of Mrs. Weaver's Motion to Continue. DOCKET NO. 2004-219-E – ORDER NO. 2005-96 FEBRUARY 25, 2005 PAGE 3

This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

/s/	
Randy Mitchell, Chairman	

ATTEST:

/s/ G. O'Neal Hamilton, Vice Chairman

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